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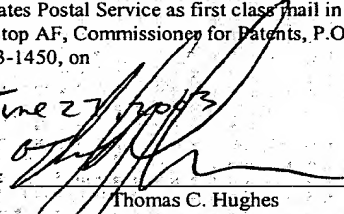
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In response to the Final Office Action of April 30, 2003, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 without prejudice as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A connector element for connecting a fluid line, preferably a length of tubing, cannulas or catheters to a second connector element, comprising:

a conduit forming a lumen for conveying a flowing medium;

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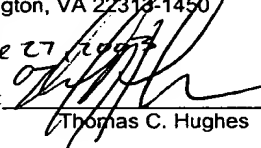
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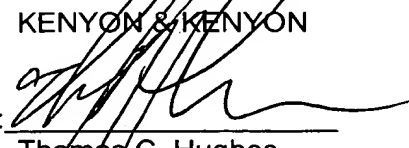
Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is an Amendment in response to the April 30, 2003 Office Action.

No fee is believed to be required. However, if any fee is required, please use Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully Submitted,

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